



Gitsegukla First Nation

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COMMUNITY UPDATE

A news release went out Canada announcing our partnership with the Simpcw First Nation. What makes it unique is our traditional trade which, we as First Nations, have been doing for years. Rather than re-invent the wheel, Simpcw have shared their agreement with us and trade for sockeye salmon which our men's group will provide along with our relationship with the Lax Kwa'laams First Nations.

There is no other exchange of resources.



Simpcw has an agreement with MCFD that gives them the authority to say what happens with their children in care and their children and families when it comes to apprehensions and court system. They have developed their own traditional laws to protect their children and families. We want the same for our children and families. We want to develop laws using our Gitxsan Ayookw incorporated into our policies and procedures where we will also engage with our off-reserves members which we don't do enough of. We are still working with Gitxsan Child and Families who deliver services to our

community. We are supporting each other for the betterment of our children and family's lives.

Our partnership, not only provides support for children and families, but also brings economic opportunities for both of us. We are stronger when we work together as First Nations. I hope this sets a precedence for other First Nations to do the same.

Children and Families. Enjoy your spring break.

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